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## REMARKS

An Office Action, Paper, No. 9, was issued in the above-referenced application on January 24, 2003. Claims 143-173 pending, claims 143 was rejected, and claims 144-173 were objected to. In response thereto, a Terminal Disclaimer is submitted herewith.

## A. Obviousness-type double patenting rejection addressed

The Office Action states that claim 142 was rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of U.S. Patent No. 6,291,166 ("the '166 patent"). During a telephone conference between the Examiner and the undersigned on February 5, 2003, the Examiner clarified he intended to state that claim 143 is rejected under this doctrine.

In response thereto, a Terminal Disclaimer is being filed with respect to the '166 patent, thereby obviating this rejection.

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